

**REMARKS**

Claim 1 is presently in the application and is cancelled without prejudice. Claims 33 – 68 are added to cover the embodiment of applicants' patentably novel invention relating to a multipane window unit.

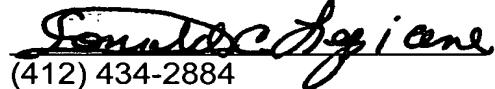
Support for claims 33 – 68 is found, among other places, in the originally filed claims of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 07/578,696 filed September 4, 1990, and Serial No. 07/686,956, filed April 18, 1991; the drawing, e.g. but not limiting to Figs. 10 – 12 and 17 – 19, and the specification, e.g. but not limiting to page 11, lines 8 – 13; page 25, lines 4 – 21; and page 30, lines 21 – 27.

Based on the foregoing, applicants respectfully request admittance and consideration of claims 33 – 68.

This amendment represents a sincere effort to place the application in condition for allowance. In the event issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned to discuss those issues before further action is taken on the case.

Respectfully submitted,

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